

## Holiday Hockey

Since the last issue of the Times several hockey games have been played by the Irma Senior and Junior teams.

On Dec. 20 the Irma seniors played a return game at Viking defeating the gas town players 6-2.

Then on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 21st the Alma Mater boys rushed in to Irma and cleaned up on the Juniors 3-2.

On Boxing Day according to arrangements previously made the Irma Seniors loaded themselves into cars and went away east to the sporting town of Chaurin where our former player Bobby Maguire still indulges in a hockey game occasionally. The Chaurinites, still being in a holiday mood turned out in goodly numbers to see the Irma boys get a real beating. In that they were doomed to disappointment for after a wonderful game the Irma boys had run up a total of four goals against three for Chaurin. In this game two of Irma's first line forwards were absent.

On Friday, Dec. 27th the Irma Juniors made their first trip of the season to the Roseberry rink for a game. This was reported to be a fairly good game Irma coming out ahead at the finish 6-2. Both teams put in new goalies to block the shots of the hard and fast shooting forwards. Stuart Fenton tended goal for Roseberry while Ross McFarland Jr. faced the sharp shooting Roseberry team. Both goalies did a very good job.

The Irma Junior hockey club staged a hockey tournament in Irma on Dec. 31st. The teams competing were Roseberry, Alma Mater and Irma Juniors. The Irma Juniors played Roseberry in the afternoon and won quite handsily by a score of 4-2.

The line-up was as follows: Roseberry: Cook, H. King, S. Fenton, R. King, Reg. King, L. Raham, J. Savard, F. Younker.

Irma: T. Soneff, C. Jones, P. Charter, R. Simmerman, A. Soneff, J. Soneff, A. Carter, R. McFarland, Neel McMillan, A. Knudson.

The scores were F. Younker and R. King for Roseberry and A. Knudson, J. Soneff, A. Soneff and R. Simmerman for Irma.

Referee: O. Hendricks.

After a short rest the Roseberry and Alma Mater teams took to the ice and battled for top score with the result that Alma Mater tallied two and held Roseberry scoreless. Referee: R. L. Martin.

The play-off game between the Irma Juniors and Alma Mater was played early in the evening. This was a real game fast and close. Back and forth up and down the rink rushed the players until well through the second period before scoring. At this point Jas. Soneff succeeded in shooting the rubber past the goalie, W. Inklin. From there on to the finish no one else was able to score which gave goalie T. Soneff a shut out. Gabe Smith handled the whistle for this game.

Line-up: Alma Mater: W. Inklin, G. Pischre, D. Savard, W. Patterson, M. Walker, Clair Lukens, Ralph Lukens, Gus Prosser, Joe Burton, K. Goodwin, R. Whiteley and P. Inklin.

Irma: T. Soneff, C. Jones, G. Inklin, R. Simmerman, A. Soneff, J. Soneff, A. Carter, R. McFarland, D. McKay and A. Knudson.

Following this game an enjoyable dance was held in Kiefer's Hall with a Viking five piece orchestra supplying the music.

This dance was well attended and the boys are grateful for the support given to them. During the evening three articles were raffled, a man's shaving set won by R. H. Ott, Irma; a box of chocolates won by Arthur Currie, Irma and a large box of stationery won by Alvin Johnson of Jarow.

**FOR SALE**

MODEL T FORD RUNABOUT  
A1 Shape \$35

MODEL T FORD COACH  
Fair Shape \$45

**John's Garage**  
IRMA

## Albert District News

Mrs. C. L. Currie visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Currie in Wainwright.

A successful dance was held in the Albert school on Friday, December 27th. Music was supplied by Messrs. Earl Prior and Howard Riddle.

Mrs. H. L. Robertson spent New Year's with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Currie.

Mr. R. Charter visited at the home of Mr. J. Jones last week-end.

A U.F.A. meeting was held in Albert school on December 28th. Mr. J. Jones elected president; Mr. W. Ramsay vice-president; and Mr. O. Griffiths secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Gordon Ramsay returned home to spend Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Herrick and daughter Margaret, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Herrick spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hardy.

Miss Mina Currie returned to Irma on December 26th.

Miss Evelyn McRoberts spent the Christmas holidays at home, returning to Wainwright December 26.

The wedding dance of Mr. and Mrs. Erling Larson in Albert school on December 30 was well attended. The bride was the recipient of many nice gifts.

An enjoyable dinner party was held at the home of Mrs. Ivan Currie last Monday. Those present were: Mrs. H. H. Currie, Mrs. R. Johnson, Mrs. O. Griffiths, Mrs. G. Currie, Mrs. G. Hardy, Mrs. C. L. Currie, Mrs. L. Robertson, Mrs. A. R. McRoberts and Miss Edith McRoberts.

Misses Edith Jones, Edith McRoberts and Mrs. Griffiths returned to their schools this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Larson have returned from Muriel Lake for the holiday season.

Miss Edna Jones, Miss Myrtle Ramsay and Messrs. E. Jones and C. Ramsay motored to Buffalo View school, south of Wainwright, to attend the concert of Miss E. Jones.

Mr. F. Prosser has left for the lumber camp near Entwistle.

On December 29 Mr. E. Larson and Miss G. Dew were quietly married. Best wishes of the community to this couple.

Rev. and Mrs. E. Longmire and daughters, Mrs. K. Matheson and children were visitors who attended the Albert concert.

Albert school concert held on Dec. 28 was attended by a record crowd. After an enjoyable program Santa Claus distributed the gifts.

## Wedding Bells

**HUBMAN - ROBERTSON**

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Edmonton on Dec. 26 when Eileen Doris, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Robertson of Irma was united in marriage to William, younger son of Mr. John and the late Mrs. Hubman also of Irma. Miss Ann Wiese of Irma acted as bridesmaid and Mr. James Cameron of Biggar, Sask. was best man.

Following the ceremony dinner was served to about twenty-four guests. Among the Irma folk present at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Robertson, Mr. John Hubman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kennedy Jr. and Mrs. T. C. Wiese, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Halvorsen, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Halvorsen of Red Deer.

The happy couple left for a short honeymoon at Calgary after which they will take up residence in the Irma district.

Irma friends join in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Hubman a long and happy wedded life.

## W.M.S. ELECTIONS OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the Irma Women's Missionary Society held at the home of Mrs. Mason the officers for 1941 were elected to office as follows: president, Mrs. I. S. Koops; 1st vice-president, Mrs. R. L. Simmerman; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. T. Shaw; secretary, Mrs. A. Enger; treasurer, Mrs. M. Arnold; Christian stewardship, Mrs. Osterhout; mission fund, Mrs. Longmire; community friendship, Mrs. Peterson.

During the meeting there was a real Christmas program with all the members taking part, and deeply appreciated by all.

Mrs. Locke and Mrs. Elford assisted the hostess in serving lunch at the close.

## Local Happenings

Miss Betty Black went to Edmonton on New Year's Day to start training for the nursing profession.

Miss Helen McDowell of Edmonton visited friends in Irma Dec. 23 and 24.

Mr. Thos. Marsden spent the Christmas holidays with his family in Irma.

Pte. M. Pendleton spent Xmas with his family here.

Are you still writing 1940?

Mrs. Pierce and two sons spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Pierce's sister at Semans, Sask.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Masson spent New Year's with their brother and family, Mr. Wm. Masson, M.L.A.

Mrs. Arnold Lawson and children of Haddistay Alta., spent a few days in Irma before Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Holt of Sher, B.C. spent Xmas with relatives at Irma and Fabyan.

Mr. James Hedley is still confined to his room with a sprained ankle but is gradually recovering.

L. Cpl. A. C. Hockett spent a few days at New Year's with his family in Irma.

Miss Clara Enger has been confined to the house with an attack of measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Smith spent Christmas and Boxing Day with relatives at Killam, Alta.

Pte. X. Matheson arrived from Calgary on December 27th on two weeks leave.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Simmons and daughters spent Christmas at the Simmons home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Feero and children spent the Christmas holidays with relatives at Entwistle, Alta.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Hardy and Miss Mildred Hill spent Christmas at the Hill farm, southeast of Irma.

A crew of carpenters are building another annex for the United Grain Growers Ltd.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Barber and daughter of Tawatinaw, Alta., spent the holiday season with their parents in the Irma and Orbindale districts.

Mr. Jas. Carter of the R.C.A.F. was home on leave from Brandon, Man. for Christmas Day, leaving again for camp on December 26.

Miss Arlene Erickson returned to Edmonton on Wednesday's train to resume her studies at the normal school.

Pte. Thos. Askin who is training in Ontario spent two days at Christmas with his wife and family in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Coulman and daughter spent Xmas in Edmonton with relatives, returning home on December 28th.

Mrs. G. Watkinson and Messrs. R. W. and Frank Maguire spent Xmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Sorgen in Holden, Alta.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Maguire of Chaurin spent Christmas with Mrs. Maguire's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. McMillan.

Mrs. Bruce Hadlow and son of Edmonton spent New Year's with Mrs. Hadlow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Loche.

Miss Sarah Holt of Fabyan, Alta., who is in training at the Marvel Beauty Salon in Edmonton spent New Year's at her home.

Owing to the extra heavy coating of frost on the power lines since Christmas service was interrupted to quite an extent, particularly on the last two days of the old year.

Mrs. Roxy Hawes and daughter and grandson, Mrs. A. McNabb and Curry of Edmonton, spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Hawes' sister, Mr. H. E. Black, returning to their homes on Friday, the 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Erickson were greatly pleased Christmas Eve when their son Lloyd who is in training with the Air Force in Toronto talked to them over the phone from Toronto.

The January meeting of the Irma Ladies Aid will be held at the Manse on Thursday, Jan. 3rd at 3 o'clock p.m. The 1940 financial report will be given at this meeting. The hostesses are Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Smallwood.

It is requested that everyone in Irma interested in senior hockey attend a public meeting in Hedley's Hall on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. An effort is being made to organize a gas line league. Please attend this meeting and join in the discussion.

Now that the holiday activities are over what about that Red Cross knitting or sewing that was temporarily shelved. The war is still going strong and Red Cross supplies are needed. Now when everyone with their shoulder to the wheel.

Thursday, January 3rd is the night set for the first in a second series of whist drives, sponsored by the Irma Ladies' Orange Lodge. So mark your special calendar and plan to be at the Lodge hall, to start in the first of the series.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Robertson of Edmonton spent the last few days of 1940 and New Year's Day with relatives at Irma. Misses Marian Longmire, Joan and Agnes Craig, Normal school students returned to Edmonton with Mr. and Mrs. Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman McHardy and Mr. D. McHardy of Vermillion, Alta., visited at the home of their cousin Mr. James Fenton on December 28. Mr. McHardy had just returned from December 20 from his former home in New Brunswick where he spent the past eight years.

Mr. Allie Gamble formerly of the Bank of Montreal staff, Irma passed through Irma Saturday afternoon Dec. 21st on his way from Winnipeg to Edmonton where it is reported he will join the ranks of the Benedicts on New Year's day. Allie is at present filling the position of accountant in the R.C.A.P. at Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dunlop and children, Orville and Mavis of Indian-head, Sask. were the first week of the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. Dunlop's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fenton, also visiting at the homes of her brothers and sisters. Then on Monday evening they took the train to Edmonton to spend the New Year week with Mr. Dunlop's parents and brother of 10742, 106th St.

In the account of Clarence Carter's farewell party in the last issue of the Times the reporter unintentionally omitted to mention the very appropriate souvenir given by the junior hockey team, of which he was a member, in the form of a hockey puck on which was carved the initials of the other members. Clarence appreciated this little reminder of bygone days very much and we are sorry it was overlooked in the account of the party.

While Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Blakely and family were returning to Irma on New Year's Day they narrowly escaped serious injury when their car collided head on with Mr. Matthew Solberg's car travelling south on a sharp turn on the coulee road southeast of Irma. Due to the fact that both cars were travelling slowly saved the occupants from serious injury. Elsie daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Blakely was slightly injured but soon recovered. Mr. Blakely's car was damaged to the extent of about \$150.00.

The collectors for the British and Foreign Bible Society, Miss A. Flewelling and Mrs. Pryde Jones, are pleased to announce the sum of \$25.35 collected from the Irma branch of the society for the year ending December 31, 1940, and take this opportunity of thanking all those who so generously contributed.

The annual Christmas treat for the children of the United Church Sunday School was held in the church on Dec. 30 and took the form of a supper. The ladies of the church put on a very fine supper which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Many expressions of satisfaction were heard from the children on all sides. Following the supper a very interesting program was put on by the Sunday School. Numbers were contributed by practically all the classes from the beginners up to the superintendent himself and a short address from the pastor, Rev. E. Longmire. This grand affair finished up with several games and contests. The church was very appropriately decorated for the occasion.

## Fire Claims Three Lives Near W'wright

**Tragedy Strikes Farm Home On Christmas Eve**

Tragedy struck heavily at a farm home 25 miles north of Wainwright Christmas Eve when fire claimed the lives of three persons.

The dead are:  
Mrs. Mary Johnson, 58.  
Ada Johnson, 13.  
Svena Kristiansen, 34.

The fire was discovered by a neighbor who noticed the glow on the sky in the early hours of the morning.

Mrs. Mary Johnson and Ada Johnson are mother and daughter. Kristiansen farmed near the Johnson place and was a close friend of the family.

The fire was discovered by Morris Fox, a neighbor, who has a farm three quarters of a mile from the Johnsons at about 9:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve.

The Johnson farm was rented from the municipality by Mrs. Johnson who lived along with her young daughter. It is located in the Van Est post office district.

Corp. Millett of the Wainwright R.C.M.P. detachment stated that the bodies have been brought to Wainwright and an inquest will be held.

## CHURCH NOTICES AND ACTIVITIES

**UNITED CHURCH**  
Sunday, January 5  
Albert—Public worship 11:30 a.m.  
Irma—Sunday school 11 a.m.  
Public worship 7:30 p.m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

**FULL GOSPEL SERVICES**  
Sunday Services  
Ross—1:30 p.m.  
Roseberry—4 p.m.  
Irma—7:30 p.m. (St. Paul's House).  
A cordial welcome to all.

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## Minutes of Monthly Meeting M.D. of Buffalo Coulee

Council meeting was held in Saltaux school with councilors Wear, Phaeasy, Ramsay, Donneworth, Dew and Currey present and Reeve Phaeasy presiding.

Members of the council expressed regret at the early passing of their old friend, Joseph Woodruff. He was a long time member of the council and reeve for many years, a colleague of the majority of the present members, and always respected for his sound judgement and integrity.

The secretary read the monthly statement for November when Cr. Currey carried that the same be accepted.

Application for relief by Ben Brady was presented. Cr. Dew carried that same be accepted and that steps be taken to have him return to the municipality if a house can be procured.

A letter from Mannville hospital was read asking for a payment on arrears of requisitions. Cr. Ramsay carried that 20 per cent of the principal be paid at this time. Also that \$25 be paid on the Helen Hanning account.

Herman Woudstra was present to ask that the council make application for the wheat bonus for the area comprising the N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 48-7-4 and S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 49-7-4. The secretary was instructed to write to the Prairie Farm Assistance Branch regarding this and also to ask if weeds are included in yields per acre for bonus purposes.

Cr. Ramsay carried that the annual meeting be held at Saltaux school on the 3rd Saturday in February.

Cr. Donneworth carried that time sheets be paid.

Cr. Dew carried that bills and accounts be paid.

## Death Claims Another Pioneer

There passed away last week in the local hospital another of the oldtimers of the district, and one who has done much for several of the public bodies which he has served for some considerable time—including the Battle River M.D., the Wainwright Municipal hospital, and others—Mr. Wm. Harrison Santee, of Fabyan, at the age of 83 years.

The funeral took place at the Wainwright United Church on Thursday afternoon last, McLeod's parlors having care of the arrangements, and the pastor, Rev. A. D. Richard, conducting the services both at the church and also the graveside in Wainwright cemetery where interment was made.

The pall bearers were Messrs. H. M. Adams, W. D. Collette, A. L. Dietrich, W. Milton, F. Seabrook and W. Steele.

A son and daughter, as well as other relatives are left to mourn.

## HOG RAISERS—NOTE

A meeting will be held at Irma on Tuesday, January 14th, at 1:30 p.m. in Kiefer's hall. This meeting is called under the auspices of Central Alta. Livestock Association for discussion of marketing facilities. The guest speaker will be Mr. A. Newman, sec. who has organized the community auction sales and shipping associations in the southern part of this province. For further information see Mr. A. E. Blakely, chairman or Carl Anquist, shipping agent.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all those who assisted us in building the addition to our house. Their help was greatly appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Mikkelsen.

**FOR SALE**—Two second hand kitchen ranges, also two-wheel trailer. V. Hutchinson, phone 25, Irma.



**CANADA DELIVERS THE GOODS**  
An army transport vehicle from a Canadian factory is shown as it is loaded for shipment to Great Britain at an East Coast port. Hundreds of these are being supplied by the Canadian automotive industry daily for use at home and abroad.

## War Without Gloves

Before this winter is over, the people of this continent are likely to witness a good deal of high pressure Nazi-inspired propaganda designed to persuade the citizens of the United States and probably Canada as well to exert pressure on Great Britain to ease her naval blockade of European ports to prevent starvation among the people subjugated by Hitler and his Nazi thugs.

Of course, if such a propaganda campaign is attempted, and it is likely to be, its source may be expected to be skilfully hidden. The seeds will be secretly planted—perhaps already are being sown, in what the sponsors hope will be fertile soil, influential executives of organizations devoted to humanitarian purposes, and efforts will no doubt be made to press in to service all the agencies of Christianity and human welfare.

The object, of course, will be to endeavor to roll up a vast body of public opinion whose mission will be to persuade those in charge of the prosecution of our war effort, that the peoples of the German-conquered countries are being starved to death; that the health and morale of the survivors are being permanently undermined and that it is the duty of Great Britain to alleviate the suffering of these innocent people by allowing sufficient food to reach them to prevent an irreparable disaster, and to do so in the interests of "suffering humanity."

### Under-nourishment Probable

On the face of it, it seems probable that there will be some under-nourishment and perhaps starvation among the subjugated European nations this winter, but the degree to which this condition exists will be difficult to determine with any great degree of accuracy as long as Nazi censorship controls the information available from these countries.

In view of the Nazi doctrine of the end justifying the means, the Nazi policies of total warfare and complete ruthlessness towards civilian populations as well as enemy fighting forces, of the doctrine of government by suppression and frightfulness, it is a reasonable assumption that even if there is enough food to sustain the entire population of Continental Europe at subsistence level, the Germans will take the best of it, first for their own fighting forces and secondly, for their own civilians and the remainder can shift for themselves. This would be quite in line with their professed belief that the Germans are super people and must be strengthened and perpetuated at the expense of all others. Other nationals should be reduced to hewers of wood and drawers of water for their overloids or should not be allowed to encumber the earth at all.

Suppose the British should yield to pressure to permit supplies of foodstuffs to get through to the suffering victims of Nazi aggression under the most solemn Nazi guarantees that the food would reach the people for whom it is intended and that it would not be diverted to provide additional stimulus and sustenance for the armed forces and the nation which is seeking to destroy the British Empire and world democracy, the history of Hitler and his Nazi cohorts already affords ample and overwhelming testimony of the value of such promises and guarantees, from such sources.

### Aid For Nazis

If the Nazis find, in course of time, that the British blockade increasingly impedes their war effort, as undoubtedly it will, it will be kept in keeping with their character and their avowed doctrines to see to it that stories of terrible sufferings of the subjugated nations reach the outside world and particularly the people of this continent in the hope that this strategy would have the desired result of a free flow of needed foodstuffs for the aid and comfort, not of the Nazi banded but of the Nazis themselves.

Even if there were some truth in such stories, and it is quite possible that there may be, it would be an easy matter to exaggerate them in degree and scope to appeal to the well known sentimentality of the American people and to create a feeling of horror and pity in the minds of the Canadian people.

The people of this country must not, however, be blinded by compassion for suffering innocent people, into forgetfulness that if these conditions exist this winter among the subjugated people, that the responsibility is entirely that of Hitler and his Nazi minions. In taking over these countries against their will, the Germans have made themselves responsible for their welfare until such time as they can be liberated and are put in the position of tending for themselves once again.

The war cannot be speedily terminated by playing into the hands of the enemy. And with an enemy of the type which the democracies are today facing war must be waged without gloves.

### No Apple Shipments

Great Britain Bans On Shipments This Winter

No Canadian apples will go to Great Britain this winter of the war.

At Manchester, England, Lord Woolton, the British food administrator, announced no fresh fruit except oranges would be imported this year.

Col. R. L. Wheeler, fruit expert at the department of agriculture, said the department had anticipated for some weeks that no apples would be shipped to the United Kingdom.

Lord Woolton also hinted at a reduction in the bacon ration for Britishers. The bacon board at Ottawa has no word of this and is still shipping its 8,176,000 pounds a week under the contract running to November next which calls for a total of 425,600,000 pounds.

### Are Carefully Named

Pullman cars aren't christened promiscuously by any means. Any Pullman having a "Mount" or "Mountain" in its name is an observation car with sleeper sections. And any sleeping car with "Lake," "Camp" or "Fort" in its title is one with 10 sections, two compartments and one drawing room.

Some storage jars used in ancient Crete were made big enough to hold 25 bushels of grain or beans.

When Italian bombers attack and destroy Greek churches, how can they expect Italian churches to escape?

The astronomical light year is nearly six million million miles.

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THE SPASMS OF  
**Whooping Cough**  
with  
**BUCKLEY'S**  
MIXTURE'S

### The Royal Soldier

Story About King Christian Of Denmark And The Nazi Flag

King Christian of Denmark recently laid down the law to a German officer in an argument over display of the Nazi flag in that occupied country, according to the Göteborg newspaper Handels-och Sjofarts-Tidning.

The King noticed the banner flying over an official building and complained to the German officer that this was contrary to the treaty between Denmark and Germany.

The officer replied that the flag was flown according to instructions from Berlin.

The flag must be removed before 12 o'clock, otherwise I will send a soldier to do so," the monarch declared.

Five minutes before twelve the flag was still flying. The King said he was about to send a soldier to take it down.

"The soldier will be shot," the officer replied.

"I am the soldier," the King said.

The Nazi flag was lowered.

### Not Of Any Value

Farmers In Britain Do Not Think Much Of Scarecrows

Scarecrows soon will be extinct in Great Britain according to answers made to a questionnaire sent out from London. Prominent agriculturists were openly scornful of this ancient institution. Not much good and then only for a day or two; and "Undoubtedly useful if you move it every half hour or so" were the kind of replies received. A boy with a rattle is worth them all, said some.

Italy's North African colony of Libya is described by a geographer as no more dependable a granary than America's Dust Bowl.

When the handle of a new box for containing small articles is in the carrying position the box is automatically locked.

## STOCKING UP WITH OGDEN'S!



● Santa will be stocking up a lot of roll-your-owners with OGDEN'S this Christmas. As a gift, it's tops because it makes milder, smoother, more mellow cigarettes.



1/2 lb. tin 80¢  
In a daily colored Christmas card.  
**OGDEN'S**  
FINE CUT

### Powerful Airplane Engine

Will Wipe Out Advantages Enjoyed By German Fliers

Great Britain is pushing production of an engine intended to wipe out an advantage enjoyed by German fliers for several months, and at the same time is making progress with the manufacture of a two-seater fighting plane of exceptional striking power.

The engine, designed to give a higher ceiling and therefore a greater advantage, is one of the Merlin family of Rolls Royce aircraft motors. More highly super-charged for altitude flying than its predecessors, it is already in service in Spitfire fighters.

A recent despatch from London, recounting the destruction of a German fighting plane by two Spitfire pilots at an altitude above 30,000 feet, mentioned the inability of the Nazi Messerschmitt to climb high enough to elude its enemies.

The same engine will be made available to the manufacturers of the Hurricane type fighting plane which, with the Spitfire, has carried the brunt of the defence work in the battle of Britain.

### SELECTED RECIPES

#### BRAN MUFFINS

3/4 cup pastry flour  
1/4 cup Durham corn starch  
1/4 cup bran  
1/4 cup Bee Hive Golden corn syrup  
1/4 cups chopped dates, or raisins, or mixed  
1/4 cup butter or shortening  
1 cup sour milk  
1/4 teaspoon baking soda  
1 egg  
Mix butter (shortening) and syrup. Add sifted dry ingredients and bran alternately with beaten egg and milk then fruit. Bake in rather hot oven 10-15 minutes. Sweet milk and three teaspoons baking powder may be used in place of sour milk and soda. Makes one dozen large, or one and a half dozen small.

#### DANISH FRUIT DUMPLINGS

9 Holland rusk, crumbled fine  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1 pint stewed or canned fruit  
1/4 cup sugar  
1 cup suet.  
2 eggs beaten  
1/2 cup milk  
Mix Rusk, salt, baking powder, sugar and add suet. Add beaten eggs and milk and beat to a smooth stiff batter. Drop by spoonfuls into gently boiling fruit. Cover and cook over low flame 10 minutes. Lift dumplings to a warm dish and pour fruit over them. Six porcons.

### No Worry To Them

Bomb Removal Squad Takes Hazardous Work In Their Stride

A London Daily Sketch van driver was in a great hurry to catch a train with his load of newspapers. But he was turned off his usual route by a rope stretched across the road bearing that how familiar notice: "Danger—Unexploded Bomb." With a screech of brakes he pulled up, wrenched the van round and was racing back the way he had come when he met another lorry hurtling along. "Hey, mate, there's a time bomb down there," he yelled. "You'll be able to come back this way. We're just going to take it away." And on pounded the bomb removal squad.

**High**  
Use DDD  
No bottle of High gives it in money back

## Life On Channel Islands

Man Who Escaped Tells Of Conditions Under German Occupancy

George Turner is one fellow who would rather say in bomb-blasted London than return home. He escaped to London from German-occupied Jersey in the Channel Islands.

Turner, 55-year-old bachelor, who made his living growing tomatoes and potatoes, decided to remain when the Germans came but got so "fed up" with their boasting and appropriation of private property that he escaped with seven other men and a girl in an Irish ship.

About 300 Germans were the first to arrive," he told a reporter. "I went on working until two Germans came and wanted to know whether my house was my property. They went in, opened drawers and took £63 (\$276) saying I would get a receipt and be given marks to that value. When I went to an office in the town I got nothing.

"The Germans were quite nice and courteous and did not lay a finger on me but the next morning three more arrived, picked all my fruit and tomatoes and took them away. I asked them about the money and they said 'That will be all right.' I never received anything.

"They took all the flour in the island and commandeered the hotels, billeted themselves there and emptied the cellars."

Turner said the invaders took food from boarding houses and warehouses, removed all the women's lingerie from the dry goods stores and helped themselves to jewelry. They told residents the islands would belong to Germany for ever and Ribbentrop "would be the boss for Germany in England."

"The islanders are frightened," he added. "Because they do not know what is going on as they are not allowed to receive news or possess a radio. If the Germans see anyone hanging about they put them to work in the fields. The banks are closed and there are no cinemas."

### Producers Were Grateful

Sirens Provided Noises For Spooky Film Made Near London

A spooky film was being made near London. In this a seance is shown. Weird noises were sought and, after much preliminary work, shooting of the scene began. Almost immediately the sirens went. What Mr. Churchill calls the "Banshee howling," made such an uncanny noise that the producers were delighted. They felt they should send a donation to the Government for this unexpected help, reports the London Daily Sketch.

### Use Large Space

The United States patent office in Washington, D.C., requires eight acres of floor space or about one-third of the huge department of commerce building, one of the largest office buildings in the world.

Brittany is a province of north-western France. A peninsula, bordering on the English Channel, its inhabitants are known as Bretons.

The less a man boasts the more true worth he possesses.

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### Kind-Hearted Drivers

Boys Stopped Their Truck To Save A Frightened Squirrel

Hilliard Foley tells this story in Our Dumb Animals:

Recently two youths in a large, speedy truck came hurrying along a wooded driveway. Rounding the bend, they were speeding up a bit when a frisky black squirrel dashed out from a tree into the roadway. The little fellow was halfway across when he saw that the truck was almost upon him. He turned, hesitated, made to race back and became panicky. A man looking on held his breath. The squirrel was caught, too late to escape.

But the boys in the truck had seen as well. The brakes screeched on, the truck stopped, the squirrel scampered away, chattering vociferously. The boys drove off, grinning. The man looking on grinned as well. But the man did more than grin. He described the "small happening" in a touching letter to the Ottawa Citizen expressing deep thankfulness for having seen this act of kindness and offering the belief that "the cause of freedom would be safe in the hands of just such lads."

### Seldom Visits London

Queen Mary Does Not Make Usual Trips These Days

Queen Mary is now resident in Western England. At first she used to visit London once or twice a week. But since the intensification of the air war her visits have become less frequent. It is reported that the two children of the Duke and Duchess of Kent are with her. War is a familiar thing to the Queen. Many British soldiers remember the 16-hour days she put in 25 years ago. Now she is again playing her part. She daily visits army hospitals, canteens and air raid precaution centres, and her tall, regal figure is a familiar sight to Cockney children who have been evacuated to her district. In her rambling old country house there is an air-raid shelter, but it is understood she has never used it yet.

The celiac ganglion is the "lower brain" of the human body. Situated just below the breastbone, it is a cluster of nerves which control the heart, lungs, stomach and blood circulation.

Recent events seem to indicate that the Royal Navy has pretty much of its own way in Mussolini's "private" lake.

### British Embassy At Paris

Rifted By Nazis And Swastika From Flagpole

The Palace of the Elysee, home of the President of the French Republic, and the British Embassy stand each in their gardens in the Rue St. Honoré, Paris. What has happened to them since the Nazi occupation of Paris? queries a writer in the London Daily Sketch, who has learned that a caretaker is the only person in the Elysee Palace. A detachment of Nazi soldiers led by an officer marched into the building some weeks ago, but after inspecting all the rooms decided to leave the place empty. They then visited the British Embassy, where the rooms were systematically rifled. To satisfy a puerile vengeance the Gestapo gave orders for the swastika to be flown from the flagpole. The British Embassy is British property normally administered by the Office of Works.

### Complicated Machine

A machine placed on exhibition in the Science Museum in London, England, is baffling everyone. It was created by John Watt for reproducing sculpture. Watt used it successfully, but nobody else has. It is so intricate that only the inventor has ever been able to understand it.

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## The Park Lane Mystery

By Edgar Wallace

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### CHAPTER XXVII

Nearly twelve hours before that poignant moment a gum-chewing chauffeur had found himself in an awkward position.

"A lunatic and a swooning female!" mused the chauffeur. "This is most embarrassing."

Stooping, he lifted the girl and laid her limply over his shoulder. With his disengaged hand he dragged the dead old lawyer to his feet.

"You hit me!" whimpered Ellensbury.

"You are alive," said the chauffeur loftily, "which is proof that I did not hit you."

"You choked me!"

The chauffeur uttered a tut of impatience.

"Go ahead, Bluebeard!" he said. "Apparently one hundred and ten pounds of femininity was no tax on the chauffeur's strength, for as he walked behind the weeping little man, one hand on the scruff of his collar, he was whistling softly to himself."

Up the stone steps he walked and into the hall. The ancient maid came peeping round the corner, and almost fell down the kitchen stairs in her excitement for something was happening at Royalton House—where nothing had happened before.

The chauffeur lowered the girl into a little armchair. Her eyes were open; she was feeling deathly ill.

"There is nothing in the world like a cup of tea," suggested the chauffeur, and called in the maid, and so, impudently that she never even glanced at her master. He seemed dwelled in stature. In his hand he still held the wet huff of the car. He was rather a pathetic little man.

"I think you had better put that as away," said the chauffeur gently. Aileen only then became aware of his presence. He had a funny mustache, walrus-like and black, and as he spoke it wagged up and down. She wanted to laugh, but she knew that laughter was halfway to hysteria. Her eyes wandered to the ax—the handle was all wet and slippery. With a shiver she returned her attention to the chauffeur; he was holding forth in an oracular manner that reminded her of somebody. She discovered that he was watching her too, and this made her uneasy.

"You've got to help me, young lady," said the man gravely.

She nodded. She was quite willing to help him, realizing that she would not be alive at that moment but for him.

The chauffeur rolled his eyes round to Ellensbury.

Oh, what a tangled web to weave. When first we practice to deceive!

he said reproachfully, and stripped

his black mustache with a grimace of pain.

"Thank God that's gone!" he said, and put up a chair to the fire. "I was once very useful to you, now I was once very useful to you."

"Now has this day paid his debt and lost a client. Why don't you take off your overcoat? It's steaming."

He glanced at the ax, its wet haft leaning against the fireplace, and, reaching out, his hand took it onto his knees and felt its edge.

"Not very sharp, but horribly efficient," he said, and laid his big hand on the shoulder of the shrinking man. "Ellensbury, my man, you've been dreaming!"

Ellensbury said nothing.

"Nasty dreams, eh? My fault. I had you tensed up—I should have let you down months ago."

Now Ellensbury spoke in a whisper. "You're Harlow?"

"I'm Harlow, yes. He scarcely gave any attention to the two suitcases; one glance, and he did not look at them again. 'Harlow the Splendid. The Robber Baron of Park Lane. There's a good title for you if you ever write that biography of mine!'"

Mr. Harlow glanced round at the girl and smiled; it was a very friendly smile.

Ellensbury offered no resistance when the big man relieved him of his wet coat and held up the dressing gown invitingly.

The old man obeyed; he always obeyed Harlow.

"When are you leaving?"

"To-morrow," the admission was wrung from him. He had no resistance.

"One suitcase full of money is enough for any man," said Harlow. "I'll take a chance—you shall have first pick."

"It's yours!" Ellensbury almost shouted the words.

"No—anybody's. Money belongs to the man who has it. That is my pernicious doctrine—you will go to Switzerland, get as high up the mountains as you can. St. Moritz is a good place. Very likely you're mad. I think you are. But madness cannot be cured by daily association with other madmen. It would be stupid to hide you up in an asylum—stupid and wicked. And you will not think of killing people any more, Ellensbury. You are not—to think about—killing!"

"No!"

The old man was weeping foolishly.

"Our friend Ingle leaves for the Continent to-morrow—join him. If he starts talking politics, pull the alarm cord and have him arrested. I don't know where he is going—anywhere but Russia, I guess. . . ."

All the time he was talking, Aileen sensed his anxiety. Just then the maid brought in the tea and the big fellow relaxed.

"Drink that hot," he ordered, and when the servant had gone he edged nearer to the girl and lowered his voice.

"He doesn't respond. You noticed that? No reflexes, I'm certain. I dare not try; he'd think I was assaulting him. It was my own fault. I kept him too tense—too keyed up. If I had let him down . . . umph!"

He shook his head; the thick lips pursed and drooped. Presently he spoke again.

"I'll have to bring you both away—you can be very helpful. If you insist upon going to Carlton and telling him about . . . this—he nodded to the unconscious man by the fire—I shan't stop you. This is the finish, you see."

"Of what?" she asked.

"Harlow the Joker," he said. "Don't you see that? Here's a man tried to murder you—a madman. Why? Because he thought you knew he was bolting. Here's Harlow the magnificent masquerading like a magazine detective with a comic mustache! Why? Because the police asking all these questions. And Ellensbury of course, would tell them quite a lot of things—some silly, some sane. The police are rather clever—not very, but rather. They'd smell—all sort of jokes. I want a day if I can get it. Would you come to Park Lane for a day?"

"Willingly!" she said, and he went red.

"That is a million-pound compliment," he said. "You'll have to sit on the floor with a rug over you; you mustn't be seen. As is, if you are missed, your impetuous lover—did you speak?"

"I didn't," she said emphatically. "If he knows that you have disappeared, my twenty-four hours will be shortened."

She glanced at Ellensbury.

"What will you do with . . . him?" she asked.

"He sits by my side. I dare not leave him here."

He lifted up one of the suitcases and weighed it in his hand.

"Would you like half a million?" he asked pleasantly.

Aileen shook her head.

"I don't think there is much happiness in that money," she said.

He laughed.

"Parson me! I've got a little joke at the back of my mind—maybe I'll tell you all about it!"

She told him all this as he drove her back to her lodger after she had brought a policeman to release him.

"He is rather a darling," she repeated, and when he frowned she pressed his arm and laughed. "Somehow I don't think you will arrest him," she said. "But if you do, hold him very tight!"

When, an hour later, a strong force of plain clothes policemen descended upon 704 Park Lane, they found only Mrs. Edwins, erect and intractable as ever, her hands folded over her waist.

"Mr. Harlow left for the country this morning," she said, and when they searched the house they discovered neither the Splendid Harlow nor the golden-bearded man called Marling.

"Arrest me!" she sneered. "It takes a clever policeman to arrest an old woman. But you'll not take Lemuel!"

"Lemuel?"

She had made a slip.

"I called him Lemuel when he was a child, and I call him Lemuel now," she said defiantly. "He'll ruin every one of you—mark my words!"

She was still muttering threats when two detectives found her coat and hat and led her, protesting, to the police station.

(To Be Continued)

### Tribute To British Sailors

Expert Seamanship And Dauntless Courage Keep Sea Lanes Open

German naval chiefs began this war with a simple and wise strategy. In the last war the German fleet had forfeited half its usefulness by waiting in port for the occasion of an open soldiers' battle. Her submarine assaults never developed their full potency until the third year of the conflict. The same mistake was not to be made again. Raiding battleships were to be dispatched across the open seas on missions of indiscriminate piracy. Beneath the sea the submarines were to strike with speed and without pity. The aim was grandiose. It was nothing less than to deliver a decisive challenge to Britain's supremacy not merely in the North sea, but in the Atlantic.

Our commerce is still transacted across this greatest of all oceans. How has this been kept? It has been done by the unfailing seamanship of our sailors. In the first nine months of the war, we are told, one destroyer sailed 55,248 miles; twice round the world in a period no longer than it took Francis Drake to pass the Straits of Magellan. Many others have averaged more than 25 days a month at sea. Ever watched, ever working against fog and tempest, new foes above and below the sea, destroyer crews have done their duty. The comrades in other craft have been engaged in unending grapple, defying the bombers, defeating the magnetic mine, defending our merchantmen. They had the skill of Drake in their hands and the spirit of Blake in their hearts. Without that nothing could have availed to save this land from becoming a beleaguered, isolated island, stripped of her glory and protection—London Evening Standard.

Why Are They There

Berlin is indignant because, the Nazis claim, 19 wounded German soldiers in an Amsterdam hospital were injured by British bombs. The report inspires an exchange to ask what German soldiers were doing in an Amsterdam hospital.

Canada is learning what Britain has long known—that mastery of the sea is won and held only at a heavy cost in human lives.

A soap company is producing 17 varieties, to fit regions having water of varying degrees of hardness.

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### Entombed In Ice

Body Of Alaskan Sourdough Found Under Strange Circumstances

One of the frozen Yukon came the uncanny story of an aged Alaskan sourdough who, dying in the wilderness, was believed to have deliberately entombed his body in ice to save it from the wolves.

Encased in solid ice, the body of 84-year-old Edwin A. Robertson was found by a searching party in a glacial stream where a little trickle of water still flowed over the ice.

His rifle, the tracks of wolves and a tiny heap of sticks with which he had tried vainly to build a fire were found beside the stream.

Robertson, a Maine man who had spent most of his life in the wilds of interior Alaska, lived in a lonely cabin on Seventy-Mile River. On Nov. 14 he set out for Eagle, near the Alaska-Yukon Territory border and less than 100 miles below the Arctic Circle.

The weather was bitterly cold, the route untravelled and without shelter and the country infested with packs of wolves.

As United States Commissioner R. E. Steel reconstructed Robertson's end, darkness overtook the old-timer on the trail and he tried to camp for the night beside the stream. But when he was unable to light a fire, death from freezing swiftly approached.

The commissioner believes the howling wolves and the certainty of death then impelled the Alaskan pioneer to take a step which cheated the wolves.

From the position in which the body was found with parka pulled over his head and his arms folded, Steel was convinced that Robertson had purposely lain in the stream, with the freezing water trickling over him, to make sure the wolves would not get his body.

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### During Air Raids

Little Time Is Lost By Workers Despite Nazi Bombings

The following is an extract from a letter received from England, dated Oct. 15, which speaks loudly of the fortitude of the workers in Britain. They are carrying on, amid dangers, with comparatively small loss of time during working hours. The letter follows:

"We have this morning just had our 212th air raid since August 8th and you will appreciate we are now getting old hands at bomb and shrapnel dodging. Fortunately, I am touching wood, up to the moment the stuff and works are not touched. One of our foremen has had his home bombed twice."

"We have for some while, been adopting in this country, the 'Jim Crow' system where work continues during air raids and a watcher on the roof gives a signal when danger approaches. By these means, very little time is lost. In fact, last week we only lost an hour and twenty minutes out of fifty hours."

"In looking from the roof around London, one marvels really at the little damage one can see apart from the loss of glass."

"The night raids, which last on an average of some 10 hours, are really the most troublesome and in spite of every confidence in our R.A.F. and defence batteries, bombs are dropped with such carelessness by the German pilots, that one can never get a complete night's rest. It is marvelous, however, that one can get used to living with guns shaking the windows. However, if the soldiers in the last war could stick it, I am sure that everyone in London and in fact, in Great Britain, can stick it; we certainly shall until Hitler has been fully and properly crushed."

GEMS OF THOUGHT

PEACE ON EARTH

Peace is the healing and elevating influence of the world.—Woodrow Wilson.

Peace rules the day, where reason rules the mind.—William Collins.

If it be possible as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.—Romans 12:18.

Only what feeds and fills the sentiment with unwieldiness, can give peace and good will towards men.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Peace is the happy, natural state of mind; war, his corruption, his disgrace.—James Thomson.

If we have not peace within ourselves, it is vain to seek it from outward sources.—L. Rochefoucauld.

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Made His Apology

But Small Boy's Effort Would Hardly Please His Mother

They had been invited to dinner at the house of a prominent local resident. As there was no one to look after little Tommy, it was necessary to take him, too.

The meal started off well enough, but while Tommy was trying to cut the meat on his plate it slipped off on the floor, and his mother's face flushed.

"Tommy," she whispered tensely, "you must apologize to Mrs. Ayres at once. Get up and say something quickly."

The child slowly picked the meat from the floor and said: "I'm sorry, Mrs. Ayres. It's funny, but tough meat always does do that."—London Tit-Bits.

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# The Recommendations of Rowell-Sirois Commission

Of vast importance to the Dominion of Canada and its component provinces and Territories are the recommendations contained in the Rowell-Sirois Commission report. This commission spent months examining the Dominion-provincial relations, which admittedly have been unsatisfactory for several years and the recommendations made are to be considered at a conference to be held in Ottawa in January. A well-known writer on public matters, Mr. T. B. Windsor of Edmonton, has prepared a series of five articles on the subject of which the following is No. 1 and No. 2:

Should the recommendations of the Rowell-Sirois Commission be implemented as a war measure?

This is one of the questions which will be before the conference of representatives of the Dominion and provincial governments which is to be held in Ottawa in January.

Opponents of the report argue that recommendations of the commission were to meet a peacetime problem and that they are not applicable now that Canada is at war. Students of government and finance, on the other hand, point out that adoption of the report is doubly necessary today and there is a growing body of public opinion in favor of such action.

Briefly, the objectives of the report are as follows:

1. To remove strains and stresses which have developed in the national fabric.
2. To strengthen Canada's economic, financial and governmental structure.
3. To increase national efficiency and unity.
4. To increase the efficiency of the system of taxation.
5. To expand the national income of the people of Canada.
6. To enable the various governmental units—Dominion, provincial and municipal—to carry on their services more efficiently and economically.

Achievement of these objectives would assist the war effort. If Canada is to make its maximum contribution to the defeat of Hitlerism it is essential that the economic and financial structure be made as strong as possible. Weakness in the national fabric, evident even before the war broke out, must be corrected. This, in fact, was the view of the commission.

While the basis of the report was arrived at before war was declared, the commission reviewed its recommendation in the light of this development. In this connection has the following to say:

"The basic recommendations of the commission concerning the re-allocation of the functions of government and the financial relations of the Dominion and the provinces were framed with the possibility of emergencies in mind and are, it is hoped, sufficiently flexible to be adjusted to any situation that the war may produce."

"Of the subsidiary recommendations many are concerned with matters not in the least likely to be affected by the strains and stresses of war, while some may require modification in the light of events. The need for some action designed to enable the people of Canada to throw their whole weight into any great national effort, such as the struggle to which they have committed themselves, and at the same time ensure the smooth working of the social and educational services on which the welfare of the mass of the people depends, is far greater and far more urgent in the time of war and of post-war organizations than it is in time of peace. And it is precisely to these two main objectives that the chief recommendations of the commission have been directed."

"... The financial proposals have been designed to enable every province of Canada to rely on having sufficient revenue at its command in any time as in peace time, in years of adversity as in years of prosperity, to carry out the important functions entrusted to it. They are also designed to produce this result while leaving the fiscal powers of the Dominion as wide in fact as they have always been in law, so that it may direct the wealth of the nation as the national interest may require. If such adjustment of Canadian economic life appeared sufficiently urgent to lead to the appointment of the commission in time of peace, how much more urgent is it in time of war? How much more urgent will it be in the critical transition from war to peace again? In brief, the commission felt that adoption of its recommendations

would help Canada to meet the new strains and emergencies arising out of the war. It would also make it easier for Canadians to bear the financial burdens of war with greater efficiency and less strain."

Recommendations of the Rowell-Sirois commission cover almost the entire field of governmental activity, but the major proposals are of a financial nature. They are as follows:

1. Assumption by the Dominion government of the entire cost of relief to unemployed employables.
2. Assumption of provincial debts by the Dominion government.
3. The Dominion government to have the sole right to levy personal income taxes, corporation taxes, and succession duties.
4. When necessary the provinces to be paid a national adjustment grant by the Dominion sufficient to enable the provinces to provide educational and social services equivalent to the national average in quality.
5. The Dominion to pay annually to each province a sum equal to 10 per cent of the net income companies derived from mining, smelting and refining of ores and oils produced in the province. Royalties, as at present, will be collected by the provinces.
6. Co-ordination of borrowings.

In suggesting that the Dominion assume the entire cost of relief to unemployed employables the commission recognized is a national—not a local problem. This in fact has been the contention of most provincial and municipal governments for the past decade. Not only will adoption of this recommendation to relieve the provinces and municipalities of a heavy financial burden, but it will enable the Dominion to take more definite steps to deal with the problem of unemployment. Furthermore, it will do away with the waste and inefficiency which has existed in the past as a result of the systems of divided responsibility between Dominion, the province and municipalities.

There are several reasons for the proposal to give the Dominion government the sole right to levy personal income taxes, corporation taxes and succession duties. In the first place the Dominion had to be partly compensated for the assumption of relief costs and provincial debts. Secondly, the co-ordination found to be inefficient, obsolete, inequitable, costly of operation and an obstacle to the expansion of the national income. With more scientific tax structures and elimination of duplication of taxation, the prosperity of the country could be increased. Thirdly, the commission recognized that the present system gives provinces such as Ontario and Quebec an unfair advantage in that they benefit from the taxation of incomes earned in all parts of the country.

As already pointed out the commission's report suggests that the Dominion pay the provinces, when necessary, a national adjustment grant on the basis of fiscal need. These grants are to replace the existing logistical system of provincial subsidies. Furthermore they are to be sufficient to enable each province to supply its citizens with educational and social services, equivalent in quality to the national average. They are also to be large enough to enable each province to maintain its development expenditures at the 1928-31 level.

By these grants the provinces will be assured of stable revenues. There will be no necessity for them to curtail services in bad times as happened in the past depression when revenues declined as a result of adverse economic developments. There will be no excuse for any province not having just as good educational and welfare services as its sister provinces.

As R. M. Fowler puts it in his pamphlet entitled "Confederation Marches On":

"No longer will it be necessary to cut down teachers' salaries because all available revenues are required for bond interest. No longer will it be necessary to see the death-rate from tuberculosis rise because necessary expenditures for adequate treatment could not be undertaken. If expected revenues fail to materialize, there can be a compensating adjustment in the national adjustment grant to fill the need. This is a new principle in federal fiscal relations and its adoption would mean a new stability to provincial finances. Provincial expenditures could be planned with certainty and distributed between the various forms of services supplied. Within the spheres of education, public assistance and cultural development, each province would work out its own philosophy."

## A Synthetic Yarn

While fine hosiery seems, at present, to provide the most demanding outlet for nylon yarns, the unique properties of this new man-made textile fibre are such as to suggest a wide variety of uses, writes Ted Sanderson in the December issue of C-I-L Oval.

In telling the story of nylon, its birth and potentialities, Mr. Sanderson states that knit goods, woven dress materials, lace and silk are just a few of the fields that may well benefit from its hard-wearing, quick-drying qualities. A highly specialized possible application for nylon yarn is in the making of parachutes, which up to now have been made only of silk from the Orient.

Textiles, however, by no means end the possibilities for nylon, declares the writer. While nylon filaments may be drawn so fine as to be almost invisible, they may also be made coarse enough for bristles, or even rods. In this way nylon monofilament bristles find their way into all kinds of industrial and miscellaneous brushes and are said to wear at least twice as long as the best natural ones. From this filament also comes fishing leaders, strings for tennis racquets, surgical sutures and musical instrument strings.

So it is, concludes Mr. Sanderson's articles, that in the few short months of nylon's introduction, men and women with diverse aims and thoughts have found in it a new and unexpected friend. Who can venture to predict the scope of the ultimate field of nylon?

## THE PROBLEM OF FROZEN CREAM

The cream producers of Alberta lose large sums of money annually by shipping frozen cream. The first real cold snap every fall brings a larger number of these shipments than later in the season when colder weather is often experienced. This indicates clearly that with care much of this loss can be avoided.

Cream arriving in a frozen condition is very difficult to handle and invariably lowers the grade of the butter into which it is manufactured. First, it has to be thawed out very slowly so as to prevent the cream from "oiling off." This of course means that the shipper's cans are not returned promptly, causing considerable inconvenience. Secondly, the freezing of cream very often results in variations in butterfat tests, this being due to the difficulty of obtaining a representative sample.

Butter manufactured from cream that has been heavily frozen has a "mealy" and "ragged" texture and must for that reason be placed in a lower grade than butter made from non-frozen cream, but otherwise of the same quality. The cream grade standards state definitely that "Special" and "First Grade" cream must be of "uniform consistency."

When cream has been frozen solid and upon being thawed out it is coarse, mealy and partially "oiled off." It can no longer be said that it is of "uniform consistency" and therefore must be placed in "second grade."

Second grade cream sells for six cents a pound butter fat less than special grade, which means a loss of \$1.20 on a five gallon can of cream containing 20 pounds of butterfat.

The following suggestions are offered cream producers attempting to avoid losses caused by frozen cream:

1. Cool cream promptly after separation and store in a cool place where it will not freeze.
2. Do not leave your can on the station platform in extremely cold weather. If possible, plan your delivery to the station just before train time.
3. Some protection should be given all shipments made by truck or sleigh in extremely cold weather.

Add a few salted peanuts to the chocolate sauce you serve over ice cream or sherbet.

When frying don't put in the article to be fried until the fat is still and a faint smoke is seen rising from the pan.

A reader suggests putting a little blue or green vegetable coloring in the goldfish bowl to give the water a more realistic touch of the deep.

## The World of Wheat

H. G. L. Strange

Regent wheat is the latest introduction of the Dominion trust research laboratory.

A very great deal of thought and care, of painstaking experiment and testing, has been expended on this new variety. Besides being resistant to stem rust, Regent in addition has a high resistance to leaf rust. In all round general qualities Regent is expected to occupy a high place; its yield is high, milling and baking qualities acceptable to millers, strength of straw is good and it is at least as early as any of the other rust resistant varieties; so any farmer who needs a rust-resistant wheat cannot go far wrong in trying Regent.

It is interesting to know that this variety represents the culmination of joint efforts of a number of our Canadian scientists in many fields of specialized work; i.e. our plant breeders, cerealists, statisticians and cereal chemists, workers associated with the Dominion trust research laboratory, the Board of Grain Commissioners' laboratory, the national Research Council, our three western universities and the many Dominion experimental farms; the efforts of all being co-ordinated by a committee representing these institutions.

Canada can well be proud of Regent wheat, the result of the work of these talented scientists. For Regent will add to the income of our farmers, and so to the wealth of the whole of Canada.

Several years ago the DeValera government of Southern Ireland decided to stop importing wheat and sugar and to become "self-sufficing" in these products, and so farmers were heavily subsidized to plough up the fine Irish grass to sow the land to wheat, and to substitute sugar beets for the famous Irish oats; for the government had decided that to sell the famous Irish oats; i.e. cattle, butter, eggs and bacon, to Great Britain and to buy wheat from Canada was not economic.

The results of this New Economic Policy have been bad. Irish farmers have become poorer, prices to the Irish people of wheat and sugar have gone up, and taxes have become unbearable. As a result of all this the policy has been changed; farmers once again are to be permitted to put their land back to the famed succulent Irish grass and oats; Eire will sell cattle, butter, eggs and bacon to Great Britain, and will import, as she used to do, her wheat and sugar from countries which can grow these products cheaper and better.

Let us hope that other countries too, including Canada herself, will soon realize the high virtues of the old-fashioned, but still sound, policy of freer trade between the nations.

## Not 'Brandy Blossom'

The so-called "tooper's nose" is definitely due to a skin disease and not as popularly supposed, to over-indulgence in strong waters. Dr. Samuel Ayres Jr., of the university of California department of dermatology, speaking recently at the meeting of the Omaha Midwest Clinical Society, made this fact clear.

"Tooper's Nose, in middle age," he said, "is not necessarily due to liquor because many persons afflicted with this distressing facial condition have never touched a drop of liquor."

This skin disease is called acne rosacea, which frequently causes extreme flushing of the face in middle life. "I have seen" continued Dr. Ayres, "tooper's noses in devoted missionaries."

Acne rosacea is a chronic inflammatory disease of the skin of the face, especially of the nose and cheeks. It is characterized by a diffuse redness, by dilated blood vessels, by soft reddish acne-formed papules, and eventually by thickening or hypertrophy of the skin of the part.

When the disease attacks the nose it is likely to produce a distressing deformity. Men and women of the highest social position, wealthy in this world's goods, would give a fortune to be rid of the complaint, which, when well-established, is impossible of cure.

The affection is commoner in men than in women. In men it arises from digestive disorders, is possibly accentuated by the habitual use of alcoholics, exposure to wind and weather and occasionally from the use of hot baths. In women it is usually met with early in life and is almost always associated with disorders of the internal tract or of the uterus. Dr. Ayres sounded a note of warning about the use of cleansing creams in the causation of acne rosacea. "Women who use no soap and water," he said, "but who instead substitute cleansing creams, often suffer from

## FARMERS' HANDY ACCOUNT BOOK

In modern farming, one of the more important essentials is the keeping of accounts, and something more than a rough and ready estimate is necessary. Farming is now more than ever a business proposition and the farmer who does not know the exact state in which he stands with reference to every item connected with his farm is under a handicap. In order to assist the farmer in keeping a record of each department of his business, the Dominion department of agriculture issues a very simple and useful little account book.

This account book covers every essential detail, and while no special knowledge of accounting is necessary, a record of transactions can often be made in less than one hour a week. The book may be obtained from the King's Printer, Ottawa, at the nominal price of 10 cents. The beginning of the year is as good a time as any to start using the account book, and as it happens the winter time affords the best opportunity to the farmer for making a detailed investigation of his business, past, present and future.

acne rosacea." So our sisters should beware of the inordinate use of cosmetics which may destroy their beauty.

—J. W. S. McCullough, M.D., D.P.H.



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## SOIL EROSION

The Agricultural Department of the North-West Line Elevators Association has just published a well-illustrated bulletin dealing with the subject of water erosion of soils. Its purpose is to draw attention to a problem which has, to a large extent, been overlooked by the general public. It has been easy to arouse public interest in the problem of soil drifting, and control practices have been developed. But it is quite as damaging as soil drifting on individual farms, but since the injury to the soil is often less obvious, it is apt to be neglected.

The bulletin is well illustrated and written in popular style. It deals in a general way with the causes of erosion, with the losses suffered, and with control measures. It contains seven excellent illustrations of fields in the Prairie Provinces which are suffering serious damage. In addition, there are four pictures generously supplied by the United States Soil Conservation Service.

Since this is the only publication of its kind in Canada, it should be read by every prairie farmer. All Junior Club members and high school students should secure copies, since "they shall inherit the earth," or as much of it as is not washed or blown away!

Copies may be obtained from the nearest grain buyer of any line elevator company associated with the work of this Department, or by work to the Agricultural Department, The North-West Line Elevators Association, Winnipeg.

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